

THE CHURCH OF GOD EVANGEL

"And when the day of Pentecost was fully come they were all with one accord in one place." Acts 2:1. "And they were all filled with the Holy Ghost and began to speak with other tongues as the Spirit gave them utterance." Acts 2:4

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Divine Healing

Faith is the Substance of Things Hoped For—Jesus the Same Yesterday, Today and Forever

Luther A. Richard

Trusting God for the healing of our bodies is not only a grand privilege, but it is also a command from God for us to obey, as recorded in James 5:14, 15. "Is any sick among you? let him call for the elders of the church; and let them pray over him, anointing him with oil in the name of the Lord: And the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and the Lord shall raise him up; and if he have committed sins, they shall be forgiven him."

He doesn't say one word about first calling for a doctor and taking his medicine, doing all we can first and then praying, but we are simply told in plain words just what to do, and all to do. Now how can we get it that this is a command from God when it was James who did the writing? "All Scripture is given by inspiration of God." 2 Tim. 3:16. James did the writing but God inspired him to do so, then it was not a command from James but from God. Now hear the Lord, ye who will not trust Him for the healing of your bodies: "Why call ye me, Lord, Lord, and do not the things which I say?" Luke 6:46.

"Nevertheless when the Son of man cometh, shall he find faith on the earth?" Luke 18:8. If I should try to answer this question from appearance, it seems to me if He should come now, He would not find much faith. There are thousands of professing Christians today in the world, who would laugh at the thought of trusting God for the healing of their bodies, and not only so, but as soon as some good humble child of God is sick and begins to trust Him to heal them, some of these backslidden, faithless church members come with some remedy to prescribe to them, and when the sick refused their prescription, then the question comes, "What are you doing?" When the answer comes, "I am trusting the Lord," the scorner laughs and says, "Old boy, you will trust the Lord one time too many some of these times." Then if the child of God even trusts Him for the healing of his body, he must suffer reproach.

"For therefore we both labour and suffer reproach, because we trust in the living God, who is the Saviour of all men, especially of those that believe." 1 Tim. 4:10. Yes, Paul, it is the same way today. There are thousands of Church of God people who fully trust God for their healing, but they have reproach to bear. Since we have the words of the prophet telling us how Christ has suffered for our healing, then we are willing to suffer all reproach and still trust Him to heal. "Surely He hath borne our griefs and carried our sorrows: yet we did esteem him stricken, smitten of God, and afflicted. But he was wounded for our transgressions, he was bruised for our iniquities: the chastisement of our peace was upon him; and with his stripes we are healed." Isa. 53:4, 5.

But what stripes does the prophet have reference to? "Then Pilate therefore took Jesus, and scourged him." John 19:1. Scourge means to whip, lash and punish severely. Then if the blessed Christ suffered all of this for my healing, I would be ashamed to claim that I was His child and not trust Him. Why not trust Him when we have this promise? "And whatsoever ye shall ask in my name, that will I do, that the Father may be glorified in the Son. If ye shall ask anything in my name, I will do it." John 14:13, 14.

"Beloved, if our heart condemn us not, then have we confidence toward God. And whatsoever we ask, we receive of him, because we keep his commandments and do those things that are pleasing in his sight." 1 John 3:21, 22. Yes, and this is the very reason why so many cold professors today will not trust God, they will tell you they cannot keep from sinning every day and of course their hearts condemn them so badly that they have no confidence in themselves, or God either, therefore, they are ashamed to even ask God to do anything for them. I cannot blame them for feeling this way, but those who will do the will of God, can come as Paul has said, boldly unto the throne of grace, that we may obtain mercy and find grace to help in time of need. Heb. 4:16. Do God's will and we will not feel like sticking our heads under a log when (Continued on page three)

Over a Thousand Were Present At Jamaica Service

CEDAR VALLEY, Jamaica, B.W.I. (Feb. 6)—I want to report victory for the precious saving grace that the dear Lord has granted unto us. I give glory to God for the light in this evening time, for we hear the prophet prophecy that in the evening there shall be light, so praise the Lord, we can say that light has dawned upon us at last.

I want to report victory over the devil. It is in the heart of the devil to sift us as wheat, but God promised that no man shall pluck us out of His hands. We had baptizing on the 27th of January, sermon by Brother J. R. Thomas, Desire Frankfield, also Brother Theo Mundle of Year Mount, Frankfield. The Lord wonderfully blessed. Over a thousand gathered, some well wishers and some enemies. Eleven were baptized by the pastor, Brother A. Johnson. On the 3d of February we had the Lord's Supper and washed the saints' feet. One was saved, and three members from the Baptist church joined in taking the Lord's Supper and washing the saints' feet. I ask all the saints to pray for me, that I may receive the blessed Holy Ghost, it is promised unto us.—Lester G. Moore, clerk, Cedar Valley, Cave Valley P. O. Jamaica, B.W.I.

Saints Shouting The Victory

MARION Va.—I would like to say a few words in regard to the work at Marion. We have not very many saints here, but they are true blue and standing for the Church of God. The Lord is blessing here and the saints are encouraged to go on. They built a church and when I came here from the Assembly they had it all paid for except thirty-five dollars, so we got busy and solicited \$25.00 and now we are free from debt. God is working. He is bringing to light the hidden things and the saints are praying almost day and night. We expect a great revival here soon, and expect the church to be built up. The enemy is working, but the Lord is giving us the victory. The work is also moving on well at Troutdale and the folks are getting the Holy Ghost. They have had a battle there, but we have the victory now. The new work at Chilhowie is doing fine. We have some real saints there who are shouting the victory. A revival is in progress there now and God is blessing; souls are getting the Holy Ghost. Please pray for me, that the Lord will help us and make it a good year for the Church at this place. Your brother, I. H. Brabson, District Pastor

Enjoyed the Assembly

GRANITEVILLE, Mo. (Dec. 18, 1928)—The Lord has blessed. I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel for what He has been to me. The Lord has saved, sanctified and filled me with the Holy Ghost. I praise Him for what the Assembly meant to me, it was my first time to be there, and the Lord worked in a marvelous way. Pray for me.—Leslie H. Orrick.

Healed Instantly

ROCKY FORD, Ga. (Jan. 2, 1929)—I want to sound a note of praise to the Lord for the way He has so wonderfully healed my body. I was very sick last night when Brother Sweet and Sister Minnie Brown came in and prayed for me. I was healed instantly. How I praise the Lord for it. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and on my run for glory. I want all who read this to please pray for me that I will be ready when Jesus calls for me.—Mrs. L. P. Mons.

Foolishness Not Convenient

Roy E. Blackwood

The Apostle Paul, in a letter to the Ephesians, (which is applicable for us in this age) delivered some valuable instructions which I firmly believe is being ignored in a wholesale manner now-a-days. I wish to call your attention to one thing especially, which is foolish talking and jesting, which is a violation of Scriptural instructions. Eph. 5:1-5, tells us of some things which should and must be laid aside in order to inherit the kingdom of Christ and of God. He says, But fornication and all uncleanness or covetousness, let it not be once named among you, as becometh saints; NEITHER filthiness, NOR FOOLISH TALKING nor jesting, which are not convenient. But rather giving of thanks. As we define the word 'foolish' we find it means absurd, unwise, indiscreet, silly, vain etc. Jestings means, 'joking, or fun.'

There seems to be a growing tendency among the ministry as well as the laity to carry on a foolish conversation and joke at each other thru fun, which I believe from a scriptural standpoint, as well as your conscience speaking louder than words, saying it is wrong, that it is the wrong thing for Christians to do. I know how we feel; we feel if we do not jest and joke a little we will not be noticed, and will not 'stand in' as well, and that we will be considered dry and odd and queer etc. But Paul says it is not convenient, which means that it is not fit; suitable, commodious, etc.

Jesus says in St. Mark 7:21-23 as He enumerates the evils that defile the man, that foolishness is one of the evils. He also says in Matt. 12:36, But I say unto you, that every idle word that men shall speak, that they shall give account thereof in the day of judgment. For by thy words thou shalt be justified, and by thy words thou shalt be condemned. This is a thing that all classes of people participate in; the high, the low, the rich and the poor, the refined, cultivated man as well as the illiterate, and it is a thing if not guarded against, gets hold on a fellow to where he is nothing but a joker—out for fun.

After coming in the light of the Scriptures on this subject, if a man starts a foolish conversation, he is lashed by his conscience and halted, if he is a God-fearing man. Too many sit around and carry on foolishness before services, when they should be giving of thanks. Then when they enter service, they are as dry as a bone-yard, with no spiritual feeling, and to the Lord blesses someone who has been praying and has the fire, they sit and stare with fixed eyes at the happy person as though they were out of their place and was getting out of the Spirit. Foolishness eats away on your spirituality as a cancer, and will sap your victory as quickly as any other disobedient act. Many have dried up and gone to the boneyard spiritually by feeding that spirit of jesting, while there are others that seem to have never realized the danger of it.

I submit these few remarks for the public to think over, and profit by, including the ministry and laity of the Church of God, as well as others.

THE MIND OF THE MASTER

Robert Hill

"But we have the mind of Christ." 1 Cor. 2:16.

"Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ." Phil. 2:5. "In Paul's letter to the Corinthians he said, 'We have the mind of Christ.' In his letter to the Philippians he said, 'Let this mind be in you which was also in Christ.' He was anxious for the Church to possess the experience provided for in the redemptive scheme, so much so that he DECLARES, WE have the mind of Christ, and exhorts us to HAVE this same mind.

Paul, in his writings to the churches, speaks plainly of three conditions. He speaks of the NATURAL man, who receiveth not the things of God. He speaks of the CARNAL man, he says this man is a babe in Christ. He has spiritual life, some appreciation of divine things, but is hindered by something in his heart which Paul calls carnality. This is a double minded fellow, hindered and hampered in his spiritual going, bound in his spiritual liberty, and mixed in his experi-

Paul's Self-Denial, But Someone Pays

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1 Cor. 9:1. "Am I not an apostle? am I not free? Have I not seen Jesus Christ our Lord? are not ye my work in the Lord?" (7th verse) "Who planteth a vineyard and eateth not of the fruit thereof? or who feedeth a flock, and eateth not of the milk of the flock?" Paul says, Does not the law say the same. (11th verse) He takes up the money again. If we have sown unto you spiritual things, is it a great thing if we shall reap your carnal things? If others be partakers of this power over you, are not we rather? Nevertheless we have not used this power; but suffer all things, lest we should hinder the Gospel of Christ." There are many who look upon this Scripture and feel some consolation to themselves for not giving or tithing, and make the remark that the ministers ought to work as Paul, for he was a tent-maker. But will you please remember that there is some more of Paul's writings in 2 Cor. 11:8, "I robbed other churches, taking wages of them, to do you service. And when I was present with you, and wanted, I was chargeable to no man; for that which was lacking to me the brethren which came from Macedonia supplied; and in all things I have kept myself from being burdensome unto you, and so will I keep myself." Someone has always had to help carry the Gospel in a financial way. I notice Paul, in the 12th chapter and 13th verse, "For what is it wherein ye were inferior to other churches, except it be that I myself was not burdensome to you? Forgive me this wrong." And in the latter clause of the 13th verse, "The more abundantly I love you, the less I am loved." I am sure there are many who have had similar experiences, when you have done your best not to be burdensome in financial matters and love the church; the more you do the less you are loved. No wonder Paul says, Forgive me this wrong. Why is it wrong to not teach giving, tithing, sacrificing etc. For this reason—that when one member suffers all members should suffer with it, and when we consider the Apostle Paul, he did not have a family to care for, but we know others that have and they are apostles also, as Paul says in 1 Cor. 9:5, "Have we not power to lead about a sister, a wife, as well as other apostles, and as the brethren of the Lord, and Cephas?" (or Peter). Matt. 8:14, "And when Jesus was come into Peter's house, he saw his wife's mother laid, and sick of a fever." You may not understand why I use the two apostles here. But the responsibility of the two men are much different. One a single man, the other a married man, and he has probably children and wife, sometimes mother-in-law to provide for, as I notice the Apostle Peter's mother-in-law was with them. Surely Peter could not have been pastoring a church, for if he had someone might have said, "We are not going to keep up that old woman too." So here we see some problems of that day like unto our day. Paul says in 1 Tim. 5:8, "But if any provide not for his own, and specially for those of his own house, he hath (Please Look On Page Two)

Be Ready To Go

Life Affords No Greater Pleasure Than Knowing That all is Well with Your Soul

The Church Has Taken New Interest

HUDSON, Fla.—We are serving a God that does hear and answer prayer. This is a small church and it seemed that we had been forgotten when we failed to get a pastor. We had a very good Sunday School, prayer meeting on Sunday nights and sisters' prayer meeting Tuesday afternoons. We felt that the Lord would send us a pastor if we waited on Him, so we decided to fast and pray. The Lord sent Brother Otis Basden of West Virginia to us. He and his family were traveling in Florida. We truly feel that God directed him to Hudson. The Church accepted him as our pastor. We did not have a parsonage so we rented a house and every member and the good people who were not in the church contributed furniture to furnish it. The church has taken new interest and all the members seem encouraged. We now have a good Sunday School, have prayer meeting twice a week and Bible study on Friday nights. We thank the Lord for sending Brother Basden, and ask your prayers that he may prove a blessing to this place, and that many souls may find their way to the Lord this year. — Mrs. Jack Knowles.

Unable To Seat The Congregation

BENTON, Ill. (Feb. 15) — We wish to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel for the revival services here at Benton. On Sunday night, Jan. 20th we began a meeting, after having secured the service of Brother D. E. Boatwright of Danville, Ill. He arrived on Tuesday night in time of the meeting. He fired on the enemy with the Word until the enemy began to retreat. It was a hard battle but God gave the victory. About twenty were saved, some sanctified and three or four received the Holy Ghost and nine came into the Church, (all grown folks) for which we praise God.

Brother Boatwright is a man of God, a forceful speaker and one able to preach the Word. We had large congregations at almost every service, and many had to be turned away who were unable to get seats. The meeting continued three weeks, and on the last Sunday we had a Home Coming, and a big dinner. This was a good day. Some from the other churches were in attendance. Brother W. J. Milligan, pastor at West Frankfort, also Brother E. L. Simmons of Johnston City (our State Overseer) were present. We surely appreciate Brother Simmons very much in Illinois. We raised one hundred dollars for some repair work on our church, also there is some painting yet to be done.

We appreciated the services of Brother Boatwright very much, and anyone in need of a meeting would do well to get him, for he surely is a fine preacher. We are wishing for him to be with us again. Pray for us and the church here, that we may continue to move onward and be true to Christ and His Church.—J. A. Bixler, pastor, 801 N. Buchanan St.

Trusting The Great Physician

PARKERSBURG, W. Va. (Nov. 20, 1928)—I take this method of broadcasting the wonderful healing power of my Lord and Savior. Sometime ago I had a great ulcer on my limb almost as large as a silver dollar and of course it was still eating, so I promised my Father in Heaven if He would heal me I would broadcast it thru the Evangel, so He took me at my word, bless His matchless name forever! Some of the folks that saw my leg thought sure enough I would lose it, but I was determined to trust the Great Physician. I have been trusting Him for more than eight years for both soul and body and find Him a very present help in time of trouble. —Mrs. Abbie Keyse, clerk.

M. W. Letsinger

We are living in a day of travel, when many are running to and fro in the earth. Great preparations have been made, and now the inhabitants are going.

They tell us that the earth turns around once in twenty-four hours, it makes a trip around the sun once each year, so 'we are going' continually. This present life is a journey to the tomb (or death), we cannot stop—we must continue to go.

This life is said to be the time to prepare for eternity, because 'we are eternally bound,' and we cannot stop! Time is winging us away to our eternal home, and truly we are going, whether prepared or unprepared! We shall all stand before the Judgment seat of Christ; there is 'no way to get by'—we MUST go there, for the Scripture has said, "It is appointed unto man once to die, and after death the judgment." So death and the Judgment are two appointments that we all have to meet, whether prepared or not, there is no way to get by—we must face the issue! These appointments have been made by the highest tribunal in existence; even He who gave us our existence in the world made these appointments for us to meet. He has also fixed a way whereby we may prepare for these great events and not be found wanting, but be blameless. The plan is fixed and all you and I have to do is to accept God's plan. I am so glad that He has made it so easy for us, and all that we have to do is to inquire of Him the way, and He will lead us forth by the right way and we shall find rest and contentment, being fully assured that He that doeth all things well will carry us safely through.

There are teeming millions of earth today who are making preparations for this life, but only a few of them seem to realize that life is very short, and that we all have to die. They are heaping together treasures, building great mansions, reaching out continually for greater possessions which will soon fade away and be no more, for there is nothing in this life that can last—everything must fade and die, therefore, we meet with many changes. We are told that our physical being goes thru a complete change every seven years. I do not know about that, but I do know that we are changing continually. The poet must have realized it when he wrote of "The Land Where We'll Never Grow Old." There is a longing in the inmost being of everyone for something that will endure, and for a life where there will be no partings, no sad farewells or tears to dim the eye. Paul tells us that the whole creation groaneth to be clothed upon, or for redemption. Jesus has paid the price and fixed the way, it is up to you and I to accept or reject His offer. I am so glad that He does not compel us, but it is "Whosoever Will." We have had nothing to do with our existence in this world, but we do have to do with our eternal destiny.

I look upon death as a serious thing. Death is not welcomed into our homes, but it is sure to come. Death is our enemy; it is on our track, but thru Christ our Lord we will be able to triumph over death. I do not mean to say that there is any way around death, but I do mean to say that even in death we may be more than conquerors. Oh, the horrors of death that have haunted us all of our lives may be taken away—death may become a shadow or a dream! Even in the midst of death we may be made to rejoice in the hope of life on the other side, which will bring real joy and gladness to those who know they are ready to go. Destroy the Christian's hope of life beyond this present life, and you are sure to take his joy, but when "we know that we shall live again," and that this present life is growing weaker; our frame is stooped, the hair falling out and becoming white, teeth gone, the face wrinkled, the step very short, yet, there is joy in the heart of the Christian, to know that if this earthly tabernacle is destroyed, we have a building not made with hands, eternal in the heavens.

Someone may say, "I do not care to think on such sad things. I had rather think on things that are more pleasant." My friends, if we never think on a thing, we are sure not to (Please Look On Page Two)

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EDITORIALS

Since last report we have received 216 subscriptions and renewals to the Church of God Evangel. We greatly appreciate this, and we are sure the Lord will reward you every one. We will send the premiums to those who have been working so faithfully, right away. We truly hope that each one will continue to work for the paper. We know that we, here at headquarters, cannot make the paper go without your help on the field, but by the help of the Lord and all pulling together, it will surely go.

We appreciate the Sunday School orders for literature, and we have them all filled, to date. We are glad to get them early so that you may have your literature when you need it. You who have not ordered yet, please do so at once.

The revival spirit seems to be on in many of the churches. Many are getting saved, sanctified and filled with the Holy Ghost. We expect to give a report of same later. Watch for it. There seems to be a good revival spirit in the local church here. Many of the folks have expressed themselves as thinking the spiritual conditions for the Church to be rising. There is a good revival now going on in South Cleveland.

Brother H. L. Whittington of North Chattanooga, Tenn. has been suffering for six weeks of inflammatory rheumatism, but the Lord has been good to him and today, the first time he has been able to be out, he came in bringing with him eight subscriptions to the Church of God Evangel. God will surely bless him and make him a blessing to many. When he gets well, he will send them in in great numbers.

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denied the faith, and is worse than an infidel." Nevertheless, let us hear the conclusion of the whole matter. 2 Chron. 31:10-12, "And Azariah, the chief priest of the house of Zadok answered him, and said, Since the people began to bring the offerings into the house of the Lord, we have had enough to eat, and have left plenty; for the Lord hath blessed His people; and that which is left is this great store. Then Hezekiah commanded to prepare chambers in the house of the Lord; and they prepared them. And brought in the offerings and the tithes and the dedicated things faithfully: over which Cononiah the Levite was ruler, and Shimei his brother was the next." Say boys, you talk about self-denial and these things. I'm sure there is more self-denial preachers in the Church of God than anywhere in the world. They are worthy of their hire. Muzzle not the ox that breaketh down the corn, let him eat. The greatest work in this world is soul-saving and preserving, (not only getting them, but keeping them), and I'm sure if every member in the Church had to preach or pastor one year, they all would be tithe preachers. Isn't it so, boys? For when they are sick you must go, no matter what you are doing. When they die you must preach, and in fact you must be on the job no matter what the need is. I am glad of all my brethren and sisters in the Lord, and am longing to see the day when all will be of the same mind and same judgment. Humbly, thy servant.

Enjoying Old Time Salvation

WARESHOALS, S. C. (Jan. 10, 1929)

I want to sound a note of praise thru the Evangel, which is such a blessing to me. I am still enjoying old time salvation. There are only a few of us left here. We have meeting in cottages, and the Lord surely does bless us. We are looking for the Lord to soon come back to this earth again.

The Church of God

The Church of God, the Bible church, How glorious and how grand; She waves her banners far and wide, O'er mountain, sea and land.

Christ is Her head and Builder, Fair, She was not named by man; She has a promise none other can claim, Why, don't you understand?

The gates of hell are barred by God, They never can prevail; She'll rise some day on wings of love, And to the marriage supper sail.

She holds to you, her outstretched arms, And bids you come today; The opportunity soon will close, Oh won't you come this way?

She has stood the test of time and tide, Her anchor's strong and sure; When winds and waves are dashing high, She bids you feel secure.—Mrs. E. M. Phillips, Rt. A, Jesup, Ga.

BE READY TO GO

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make any preparations, but if we consider it well, we may make ready. I never like to see folks all the time worrying about something that possibly never comes in their life, but I believe in being free from care. I do not believe in living in a way that life is a worry, but I believe that God wants us to be light-hearted and free. The man who owns his own home, has the taxes and insurance all paid, has no fears of being driven out, with no place to be sheltered. So it is with the Christian—there is no fear, no condemnation. It has been my lot to be with those who were forced to leave this present stage of action, unprepared to go. Oh, the fear and anguish that seemed to take hold of them. On the other hand, I have been present when the child of God was about to pass to the Great Beyond, and instead of fear, there was confidence. They knew and realized that our parting was only for a few days, and that we would soon meet on the "other side" where sufferings would be no more.

Preparedness is a great theme today, on some lines. We spend hundreds and thousands of dollars trying to prepare our children for life. We send them to school; supply them with books, clothes, food etc. and we want them to have the proper exercise and environments and everything that they may need to make a success in life, and yet we know that life is very brief and uncertain. Many times we have known the young man to be called to the Great Beyond, just as he was finishing school. It is a good thing to prepare for life here, but thousands of dollars are spent, in many cases, and then they go out only to fail. And while that is very bad, it is nothing to compare with failing to be ready to go when we are called from time to eternity. We will have no excuse, for the plan of salvation is so simple and it is so easy to accept Jesus Christ as our personal Savior and consecrate our all to Him. Then, we are not our own, but His, bought by His precious blood, wherefore we glory by Him, and by so doing, live in readiness for the Great Beyond each moment.

After the children of Israel had been in Egypt their allotted time, according to the Scriptures, they began to cry unto God, and God raised up Moses to deliver them. So when the time came for God to lead them out He gave them orders to kill a lamb and to put the blood on their doors, for an angel would pass over sometime during the night and destroy the firstborn of every family who did not have the blood on their doors. So the children of Israel obeyed the Word of the Lord in preparing the lamb and the blood on the doors. They were to eat the lamb on the inside of the house, with their loins girded and staff in hand, ready to go. This lamb was a type of Jesus. He said, "If I go I will come again and receive you unto myself, that where I am, there ye may be also." So as we understand the Scriptures, His coming must be very near, and it behooves us to be watching, waiting and ready to go.

EXPECTING TO STAND TRUE

ANGIER, N. C. (Jan. 8, 1929) — We have all been sick with the flu, and I promised the Lord if He would heal us I would testify of it, and I feel like I must do so, for the Lord has been so good to me.

About fifteen years ago the Lord saved and sanctified me and three years ago I received the blessed Holy Ghost. I was added to the Church of God and I love it better than anything on earth, because my Savior suffered and died for it. When I saw the light on the Church of God I saw the light on divine healing, and I have not taken a dose of medicine since. I trust Him for all. I expect to stand true if all the world turns against me. Pray for me that I may make it thru to Heaven. Your brother. — Arthur L. West.

Pray that I will be humble. A sister. —Maggie Gilmer.

Notices And Specials

My son happened to an accident and prove loyal. Just here I will say I never have seen such interest shown in Sunday School as is being shown in the various churches thruout the state. Many are looking forward to the districts and state conventions. Look out! We do not know who will be ahead in attendance and finance till the state convention.

We are glad to say a goodly number of our pastors are seeing that five percent of the amount of tithes paid in the local church is being raised for the mission fund. Some are writing, we have ours ready each month. One church in the state raised ten dollars the other Sunday. Never in the past have we seen some of our people so anxious and determined to do what the Assembly asked them to do. We want to do our best for God and His cause this Assembly year. Yours for lost souls. G. A. Fore, State Overseer.

CORRECTION
In my article on THE COMING OF JESUS where we refer to Isa. 7:14, instead of the word "fulfilled" here it should have been "promised" 742 years before His birth. This word "fulfilled" was used three times in this article, where it should have been "promised." Three thousand of the papers were run off before we detected this error.—S. W. Latimer.

We are planning to have a Home Coming Day Easter Sunday. Will have services all day and dinner on the ground. Everybody is welcome. Come and bring a well filled basket and enjoy the good things of the Lord. We are expecting the Lord to bless in a wonderful way. The Holy Ghost in charge. Everybody is welcome. The Church of God at North Rome, Ga.—Odis Smith, pastor, Box 473.

I am living in a place where a preacher is needed very badly. There is a Holiness Baptist church here, but only a few members. Only one has the Holy Ghost. It is located near Iron City, Georgia. They surely need a preacher. They haven't had one for several months, and they want somebody to come and feed them on the Word. There is a real good opportunity for someone to preach holiness and the Church of God doctrine here. So if God speaks to you in regard to this place, be sure and come, for your service is greatly needed. If interested enough to come, write me and I will make arrangements for you to preach. Pray for us all. A sister in the Church of God.—Mrs. E. E. Carroll, Iron City, Ga.

This is to inform you that Brother A. H. Wagers of Ravenna, Ky. has been appointed as our State Mission Treasurer. All pastors see that 5% of the amount of the tithes paid in at each church is divided equally between the State Mission Treasurer and headquarters, and sent to each treasurer on the first of each month, or as near as you can. Also see that your church treasurer reports to headquarters and to the state overseer promptly on the beginning of each month. This report can be made promptly as easily as waiting to the last of the month. Brother Starling Smith of Somerset, Kentucky, and Brother J. A. Muncy of Ravenna, Kentucky, with the State Overseer, compose the State Mission board. Brother Charles E. Lockard, Rt. 3, Box 302, Louisville, Kentucky is our State Sunday School Superintendent. Bro. R. L. Ayers of Camp Taylor, Kentucky is our Dist. Superintendent and Treasurer for the Louisville District, also the west end of Salem District. Bro. Starling Smith of 139 Otter Ave. Somerset, Kentucky is District Superintendent of the Somerset Dist., also Brother G. R. Hall, Cotter Avenue, Somerset, Kentucky is District Treasurer. Bro. Melvin Cox, of Blue Diamond, Kentucky is District Superintendent of Ravenna and Hazard District. R. H. Bell of Christopher, Ky. is District Treasurer. Brother Elbert Houndchell of Twila, Ky. is District Superintendent of Williamsburg and Harlan District. J. H. LeQuire of Shonn, Ky. District Treasurer. W. D. Webb of McVeigh, Ky. District Superintendent of McVeigh and Catlettsburg, also he is District Treasurer.

The ruling of last Assembly is to tithe the money coming in to the Sunday School Treasurer and send same to your District Treasurer. Let all adhere strictly to this ruling.

Feasting on God's Word

ROCHESTER, Texas. — As I do not see many pieces in the dear old paper from Texas, thought I would write a few lines. I am glad for the good Lord and for what He is doing for us at this place. We had a wonderful service here Christmas day.

We had four preachers with us and each preached a wonderful sermon; had an altar service and several came, had a good dinner; the kind these farmers' wives prepare. Our pastor, Bro. Hamilton and family are here now. He has been with us since November. We surely do feast on the Word as He gives it out. The whole church was revived, and feel like all have received the Holy Ghost anew. Every family in the church have had several cases of the flu, but we are all trusting the Lord and He is healing. How wonderful to trust a Physician that never fails us. We do not have any place to worship except a

dwelling house so we ask all to pray for us that we may have a building. We have a fine Sunday School with good attendance. A brother thru Jesus' blood. — A. K. Peel.

The Blood Cleanses
SAN DIEGO, Calif.—I want to sound a note of praise to my King Jesus this morning. I'm really glad to know that the blood cleanses from all sin and that my sins are under the blood. I love the good old Church of God and Her teachings and do know that it is the Bible Church, bless God, and we stand for it. We came to California from Oklahoma, stayed here a while and then went back to Oklahoma and Texas, but were not satisfied, so we came back. I believe the Lord has a work for me to do here but when I went back to Texas I lost my health and am asking all that know the worth of prayer to pray for my health, for my entire trust is in

CORRECTION
In a recent issue of the Evangel, Brother W. E. Raney had a notice of the districts and District Overseers for South Carolina outlined. (1) J. C. Childers' address should be Blacksburg, S. C. instead of Rock Hill. (2) For Walhalla, District, L. H. Powell is District Overseer. Churches, Anderson, Auten, Walhalla, Walhalla No. 2, Mt. Pleasant. (3) Columbia District, Clyde Dodds is overseer. Churches, Charleston, Earl, Columbia, Winnsboro.

The District Convention for the Copperhill District will convene at Etowah, Tenn. March 22d to 24th. We want all the pastors, deacons and clerks to be present with a report of the work of their churches, also we would like to see a good delegation of laymen from each church. So begin to make arrangements to be on hand and let us expect the presence of the Lord to be with us in a great way.—H. N. Scoggins, State Overseer, C. M. Dunn, District Overseer.

This is to notify the public that my time will be given wholly to the evangelistic work.—Z. D. Simpkins, Sumiton, Ala.

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THE HOPE SET BEFORE US

Young People's Meeting Atlanta, Ga.

"When God made promise to Abraham, because he could swear by no greater, he swore by himself, Saying, Surely blessing I will bless thee, and multiplying I will multiply thee. And so, after he had patiently endured, he obtained the promise. Wherein God, willing more abundantly to show unto the heirs of promise the immutability of His counsel, confirmed it by an oath: That by two immutable things in which it was impossible for God to lie, we might have a strong consolation, who have fled for refuge to lay hold upon the 'hope set before us.' Which hope we have as an anchor of the soul, both sure and steadfast, and which entereth into that within the veil; Whether the forerunner is for us entered, even Jesus, made an high priest for ever after the order of Melchisedec."

By the Scriptures we have found that Jesus is the "Hope set before us." He has been the hope of all generations from the beginning, when the first gospel message was given concerning a coming seed that would bruise the serpent's head, until now. From the Garden of Eden to the Cross, God encouraged the people by the promise of this hope, thru types and by prophecy. In this way the hope was given the people of a Savior, who would redeem them from sin and death, and bring to them eternal life instead.

As time passed on conditions grew worse and worse. It was an age of universal darkness, the dark night of sin and death. Despair and gloom seemed to hover over the entire land. The laws of the Roman government upheld the cruel injustice of "an eye for an eye and a tooth for a tooth," but right at the crisis when He was surely needed most, behold, prophecy is fulfilled, and we see Jesus appear on the scene. The prophet had said of him, "When we shall see him, there is no beauty that we should desire him. He is despised and rejected of men; a man of sorrows, and acquainted with grief." Yet he saith, "I am the Christ." "I came to give life and to give it more abundantly." A new era begins. Can we picture the contrast? As the night vanishes under the grey dawn into the beautiful sunlight of the day, so the dark night of sin and death vanished under the appearing of the Son of man into a glorious day of eternal life and light. And as the herds of the earth awaken to the warm breath of Spring and take on new life, so the cold, indifferent world, stirred by the love and simple teachings of the gentle Nazarene, took a new hold on life.

Prophecy is fulfilled again in this: "He was wounded for our transgressions, He was bruised for our iniquities, the chastisement of our peace was upon him, and with his stripes we are healed." As He hung on the cross and said, "It is finished," the plan of salvation was completed and from then until now, the world has enjoyed a wonderful dispensation of peace and pardon and enlightenment of truth and grace.

But alas! history repeats itself, and again we find the world clothed in sin. The majority of the people have refused the endorsement of God's peace and pardon, and have trampled the blood of His Son under their feet. But to a few He is still God's illustrious Son, the Prince of peace and coming King of kings, and we are looking for His appearing the second time. The hope before us now is not as it was in the beginning, in the forgiveness of sins and the fruit of the Spirit, but our hope is the coming of Jesus in person.

He is coming again for these purposes:

First: to raise the dead, "For the Lord himself shall descend from heaven with a shout and the dead in Christ shall rise first."

Second: to catch away together with the raised dead, all living believers, "Then we which are alive and remain shall be caught up together with them in the clouds, to meet the Lord in the air."

Third: to reward His people. "Behold, I come quickly and my reward is with me, to give every man according as his work shall be."

The fourth purpose of His coming and the one that embraces all the others, is, to "receive His Bride." God's purpose of this age, lying between the "sufferings of Christ" and the "glory that shall follow" is, to take out of the Gentiles a people for His name. God's Son shall have a Bride to share His glory. This Bride is the Church, and when the number is complete the heavenly Bridegroom shall return to receive her to Himself. Then in our redemption we shall be fashioned like unto Jesus. "It doth not yet appear what we shall be, but

the Lord. I have never failed to trust Him since He saved my soul about six and one half years ago. I have been preaching the Word about three and one half years and about one year ago He led me into the light of His blessed church. I want all to pray that I will be able to stay in the center of His blessed will at all times, also pray for my children. Your sister in Christ.—Mary A. Martin, Evangelist.

HIS GLORY CAME DOWN

BELMONT, N. C. (Dec. 27)—I want to thank God thru the Evangel for the way He has blessed us. We had a real good program Christmas and the Lord blessed wonderfully. It seemed that the windows of Heaven were opened and His glory came down. We had one act, Jacob and his sons, also several other interesting plays, recitations etc. by the children.

I thank the Lord that a little over two years ago He saved, sanctified and baptized me with the Holy Ghost and placed my feet on the solid Rock Christ Jesus, and I am thanking God for my place in the great Church of God. I also want to thank God for His power to heal. On December 19th God wonderfully healed me of a sore throat and flu. I sent for Brother Jessie Lee Brown and the preachee, and his wife, they prayed for me and I was able to be up the next day.

We surely do thank God for our pastor, Brother W. M. Stallings, for he is a man of God. No matter what hour you send for him, he comes at any hour of the night. Pray for the Church of God at Belmont, North Carolina. I am only a girl of seventeen and a babe in Christ, so pray for me that the rest of my life will be spent for the glory of God. Pray for my brothers, sisters and friends who are lost and without God.—Miss Nancy Langley.

We know that when he shall appear, we shall be like him. For we shall see him as he is, and every man that hath this hope set on Him purifieth himself, even as he is pure. So patient therefore, brethren, unto the coming of the Lord. Behold the husbandman waiteth for the precious fruit of the earth, and hath long patience for it, until he receive the early and latter rain. Be ye also patient, stablish your hearts: for the coming of the Lord draweth nigh." A beautiful type in the Old Testament of our Lord's return is found in Genesis. Abraham's servant, with the wealth of his master's house in his hands, goes, under oath, to Mesopotamia to secure a bride for Isaac, the son, who remains hidden in the father's house in Canaan. Accomplishing his mission, the servant brings the bride, in whose heart is the love of the unseen bridegroom. At evening, Isaac appears in the field to meet her. In this scene of Christ's rejection and humiliation, the Holy Spirit has come to accomplish God's purpose. The calling of the church to share, as His bride, all the wealth and position of His risen Son, who meanwhile abides in those heavens that have received Him out of our sight. When the bride is complete, He shall come forth into the air to meet her, and have her ever more with Him.

What difference does it make when the Lord comes, if we are ready for Him? This question is often asked. It is this: *It makes all the difference in the world to the heart that loves Him.* "Ye turned to God from idols to serve the true and living God, and to wait for his son from Heaven, whom He raised from the dead, even Jesus which delivered us from the wrath to come. Henceforth, there is laid up for me a crown of righteousness, which, the Lord, the righteous Judge, shall give me at that day. And not to me only but to them that LOVE his appearing." So here is a special reward for loving His appearing. We should be able to say, "Even so, come Lord Jesus." The voice of the bridegroom has been heard announcing His return: "Behold, I come quickly." His last message to His bride has been written down: "Surely, I come quickly." He waits now to hear from the yearning heart of every saint, this last prayer of the Bible, "Even so come Lord Jesus."

Blessed Lord, knowing thine own yearning for the day when thou shalt present thy bride to thyself is the consummation of all her hope, that yearning is in our hearts today, and we make this our daily prayer: Come, Lord Jesus, Come quickly. Amen.

Luila Caldwell

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Having Wonderful Service

KINSTON, N. C. (Jan. 1)—I want to sound a note of praise to my Savior. I thank Him because today finds me saved, sanctified and baptized with the Holy Ghost and fire, with the Bible evidence of speaking in tongues. I thank God for healing my body. Last week my baby was sick. The saints came in and prayed for him and he was healed almost instantly. God has blessed us with some wonderful meetings. Brother Stephens and wife have been with us and also Brother Hardy and Brother Hunnings. I was added to the Church about three months ago, and I ask all the saints who read the paper to pray for me, that I may hold out till God calls me home to Glory. Pray for the Church of God in Kinston.—Ray Alexo.

NO TIME TO LOOK BACK

LOUISE, Miss. (Jan. 18, 1929)—I am praising God because He has been so good to me up to the present time. He blesses me in so many ways, and He means more than this world to me. I wandered in darkness so long, but one night I gave my heart to God and poured out my heart to Him and He gave me the sweet Holy Ghost. Friends, you don't know how much it means to say we are a child of God. He is always ready to hear and answer prayer.

It makes my heart sad to see the children of God drifting away. I want to always be willing to stand up for Jesus. We need to get more humble before God and pray more. There might be more souls saved if we would let our lights shine out and be on our knees praying more, instead of talking about each other.

I feel like if the Lord should call for me I would be ready to go. I want my daily walk to be a testimony. I want to be able to overcome every temptation that is set before me, so that when the Lord gets ready for me to leave this sinful world I will be ready to go. Lots of us think because we have the Holy Ghost that we are all right. If we do not live the life we are nothing. It means something to be a true child of God. I cannot do much, but by His help I mean to live the life. A few weeks ago the devil tried to break our prayer meeting up, but he was defeated. I feel like we need to pray more and get closer to the Lord so He can bless us. Let us see what we can do for God this year.

So many of us have loved ones gone on before, are we ready to meet them? I have a dear old step-father that the death angel came and took away three years ago. I want to meet him in Glory some day. We haven't time to look back, we need to keep our eyes on God. Ah how sad it will be, when the last trumpet sounds, for those who are not prepared to meet God. I want to be able to go over the top. I want more of God, and ask you to pray for my unsaved husband, and for myself also.—Mrs. Rubye Jones.

Some Thought It Strange

FLINT, Mich. (Jan. 22, 1929)—I promised the Lord if He would heal our ten year old boy I would testify to it thru the Evangel, so the Lord hears prayer and He knows all about our bodies. Just a little over five weeks ago our little boy was operated on for appendicitis. He was in a very bad shape. His appendix had already burst when they operated on him, and the doctor called for my husband and he went and he said his bowels were beginning to decay and one of the nurses told him that she did not think he would ever come out from under the influence of the ether. After they operated on him and brought him back in the room where I was, I saw the child's face and head was all swollen and red, so I went out of the room and began to pray if it was God's will for Him to heal him, and pretty soon I heard him crying and I got up and went in his room and I shall never forget how wild he looked out of his eyes. After that, one day when I went to see him I told him to call upon the Lord, that the Lord heard little children's prayers, so he told me one day (with tears in his eyes) that he had been praying. Some thought it strange to see Amos getting along so well. The doctors and nurses were surprised. I told them if it had not been for Jesus he would not have lived, but I thank God that He hears and answers prayer. I do not give the doctors credit for I believe it was the Lord who did the work. I am so glad I am still saved, sanctified and have the Holy Ghost. I have been saved ever since I was fifteen years of age. I have always wanted to live for the Lord. I want to make Heaven my home. I would like to move near a Church of God, where we could send our children to Sunday School. This is a very wicked place here. I have a determination to go all the way with Jesus.—Mrs. Ida Irwin, 1105 Industrial Ave.

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THE MIND OF THE MASTER

(Continued from page one)

He was infinite, we are finite. He was all-wise and we are ignorant, He never made a mistake, we have made thousands of them. He never took one step in the wrong direction. We walked for years in the devil's path and away from God. We are not commanded to have the mind of Christ in quantity, but we are in quality.

THE MIND OF HUMILITY

Who being in the form of God, thought it not robbery to be equal with God, but made himself of no reputation and took upon himself the form of a servant and was made in the likeness of men; and being found in fashion as a man, he humbled himself, and became obedient unto death, even the death of the cross.

He points us back to eternity's pre-existence of Christ, and here declares that Christ was in the form of God, but in the last call for earth's redemption, he took on himself the form of a servant. He passed from sovereign to servant, yea, from Glory to Galilee. And He HUMBLED HIMSELF. Humility here was the secret of the BLOOD redemption.

There is no place for self importance in the mind of the MASTER or in the mind of the Master's servants, no place for self-seeking, and electioneering for certain pulpits, but rather a place for the compassion of Christ in His service for suffering humanity.

THE MIND OF PURITY

He said, "Which one of you convinceth me of sin?" He said the Prince of this world cometh and hath nothing in me. He was called the Lily of the Valley." The Spotless Lamb, the Bread of Life, Virgin Born, and full of GRACE and TRUTH. His words were PURE, His mind was PURE, His thoughts were PURE, His desires were PURE. He never talked smut nor listened to it.

If we are to be like-minded then we must go forth as the light of the world, the salt of the earth, and a living rebuke to the twentieth century devils.

THE MIND OF PATIENCE

He was patient with His enemies. He held on to Simon Peter, and said I have prayed for thee. He never gave Judas up till Judas said how much will you give me for him? Nay, He loved them until the end, and we must do likewise—love unto the end. He never went to pieces under fire, never flew off the handle, and justified himself with "Well I know I am high tempered, but it's all over in a minute." The San Francisco earthquake was all over in a minute but it left the real-estate men in a bad shape. It is not the vulgar sins that are spoiling Christians, but the little momentary heart-breaks with God.

THE MIND OF LOVE

Back of all His humility, all His purity, and all of His patience He had LOVE. I say LOVE! Not pretense, but pure HEART LOVE. He had compassion on the multitudes, wept over the city, sought the lost sheep, prayed for the sinners and even His murderers, and rescued the dying thief from the very jaws of damnation. Having loved his own, He loved them unto the end.

The Apostle John says "As he is, so are we in this world." If any man say I love God and hateth his brother, he is a liar, and all we have to do to hate our brother and be a liar is to see our brother in need and shut up our bowels of mercy against him. Simply fail to help him, and what are we? But the mind of the MASTER, delivers us from this world, saves us from stinginess, and selfishness, and hogghishness, and enables us to love the whole family of God's redeemed.

THE MIND OF JOYFULNESS

I understand the Book says He was a man of sorrows and acquainted with grief. He gave His back to the smiters, but His Joy broke out under fire, His Joy depended on inward conditions. "Jesus rejoiced in spirit," and bequeathed this same joy to his followers.

THE MIND OF LOYALTY

"He never deviated from truth or duty. He was loyal to the Father when He was popular. He was loyal to the truth and the Gospel when it cost Him His following. What a close sermon when he said "Except ye eat my flesh and drink my blood you have no life in you." His disciples said, That is a hard saying, who can receive it? They left His meeting and society, and followed Him no more. But as they went over the hill He did not run after them and apologize, but looked at Peter and said, Will you also go away? Peter looked in His love-beaming eye and said as they went over the hill, To whom shall we go? Thou hast the words of eternal life.

If we have the mind of loyalty, we will be loyal to the truth in this day of compromising and generalizing and seeking to popularize the doctrine of Holiness.

THE MIND OF VICTORY

It looked for a while as though He was a failure as He was arrested in the Olive grove; sold for thirty pieces of silver, when He staggered down the streets of Jerusalem with the timber on his shoulders for His crucifixion, when He struggled up the hill with the blood dripping off at His heels, with His sweat, precious lips pouring forth bloody spittle, running off His beard, stripped of His



Interesting Letters From Bible Training School

T. S. Payne, Supt. J. H. Walker, Asst

CLEVELAND, TENNESSEE

HE WILL CARRY US SAFELY THRU

— B. T. S. —

I want to thank God for the opportunity of coming to Bible Training School, this surely is a wonderful place. The Lord meets with us from time to time. He has said, "I will never leave thee nor forsake thee." That surely is a wonderful verse—just to know that Jesus will lead and direct us as we go along thru this sinful world, where many evils are on the right and the left, but Jesus will carry us safely thru.

I thank the Lord for our teachers, who teach us how to rightly divide the Word of truth. When we leave here we can tell the people the real truth and back it up by the Word of God, which is sharp as a two edged sword.

We have a wonderful bunch of students, most of them have the Holy Ghost, and we enjoy praying, singing and praising our God—ah, it is real! I appreciate being among young people like these, who know how to call on the Lord. We believe in praying for the sick. When we pray, there are several requests, and many are healed by the power of God.

The sad part is yet to come, when we will have to shake hands and say good-bye, possibly for the last time here on this earth, but the best of all is this, we can meet them again if we all are real good and stay in the will of the Lord. I want to meet everyone on the Bright Shore where we can sing and praise the Lord forever. I ask an interest in your prayers, that I may be a blessing to God and His cause. Pray for the Bible School.—Willie Goins, Christopher, Ill.

THE LORD IS OUR SHEPHERD

— B. T. S. —

Yes, I am glad of the privilege of being in Bible School—not just being here, altogether, but for the good cause for which we are preparing ourselves. This is my second term. I guess some of you remember reading my testimony in the Evangel last year, about me telling of the young people at the Church of God in Ft. Lauderdale, Fla. paying my expenses last term. Not only did they pay mine, but also Brother D. J. Cupp's. We are both here in school this term, and I am glad to say that the young people of Ft. Lauderdale have not forsaken us yet nor left us comfortless. Whatever their hands find to do, they do it with all their might. Young people, if you are zealous for God and the Cause of Christ, our good Church of God Bible Training School is the place to learn the Word of God. Re-

ralment. Oh when we listen to the sickening thud of the hammer driving the copper nails thru His blessed hands, and the cross is raised and He hangs between two thieves, it seemed as though He had surely failed. Yea, hell was jubilant, Satan thought He was defeated, but thank God! thank God! it had been declared, "HE SHALL NOT FAIL HE SHALL NOT FAIL, and in the midst of the reeling earth, the darkened sun, and opening of graves, there was a cry, "IT IS FINISHED." The world was redeemed and all hell was defeated. The very gates of hell were twisted from her rusty hinges, and the triumphant one walked thru the ashes of damnation to the throne of darkness, and there pulled the prince of devils and damnation from his throne and wrested from him the keys of death and of hell, saying, "I AM HE THAT LIVETH AND WAS DEAD, and behold I AM ALIVE FOREVERMORE." Then after forty days He flew away to Glory with victory over SIN, FLESH and the GRAVE, and if we will follow Him in a life of VICTORY we will outshine the sun in the land that never grows old.

THE OBTAINING OF THIS MIND OF THE MASTER

There is one little word in our text that gives us the key to the whole thing—the little word "LET." The word "LET" means a whole-hearted, positive, final abandonment to God to be CLEANSED from sin, made HOLY AT HEART and filled with the Holy Ghost. When God spoke the second time, "Be CLEAN," we are then in a condition to be possessed with this MIND which was also in Him.

"LET THIS MIND BE IN YOU This, as a theory, seems easy, but to WHICH WAS ALSO IN CHRIST," have the blessing and put it into practice is altogether something else. Many get discouraged because they do not seem to be able to exemplify the life of Christ at all times and go back. But let me say right here that there is hope for every hungry struggling, discouraged life. Put the past with all of its failures and mistakes under the BLOOD, trust in its cleansing power, have faith in God, cease your doubt-

member, the Word rightly divided is what counts for God. I am sure many of my dear brethren and sisters will read this, and when you do, remember to pray for me, and for the school. I know the Lord is our Shepherd and will lead us if we will follow. The prayers of a righteous man availeth much, so let us pray one for another, that we might be strong.—Ralph Tedder, Box 2511, Ft. Lauderdale, Fla.

THIS TERM WILL SOON CLOSE

— B. T. S. —

I want to express my appreciation of being permitted to attend Bible School. I have found this to be a place where the Holy Ghost can have His way. This is my second term and I feel more than repaid for the time spent here. The Lord is always present with us to help and encourage us. This term will soon close. We all dread to leave each other, and the place where the Lord has so often blessed us. Pray for me, that I will be in the will of the Lord.—Larue Cleland.

I Want My Life To Be Influential

— B. T. S. —

I wish to devote a few brief lines of praise in this column for the privilege I have of being a student in Bible Training School another term. This being my last year in Bible School, I cannot look forward to the good times that I have experienced in the past, but I realize that had I not spent two happy years in preparation here, I would be far less qualified to do my part, whatever it may be, for the cause of Christ. This is, to my knowledge, the best institution of its kind in the world. Words just cannot express the good fellowship and unity that is manifested every passing day among the students. Only a few short weeks will elapse, then the Bible School will close its doors for the last time upon me as a student. But there will always be pleasant memories of the happy moments spent here with the other students from other states and continents.

We are eagerly looking forward to the time when this cherished little schoolroom will be too small to accommodate the students who come to Bible School, and it will be necessary for a building to be erected for this purpose.

When I leave this school I want my life to be an influence for it. I desire to conduct myself in such a manner that the folks at home or wherever I may go will have full confidence in the school. Pray for me, that I may stay humble at the feet of Jesus.—Eva L. Green, Florida.

Delighted In This Way

BROWNFIELD, Tex. (Dec. 3, 1928)

I want to praise the Lord this evening for salvation, and I praise Him for His great healing power. I promised the Lord about three months ago if He would heal my husband of chills and fever I would testify of it thru the Evangel and He has healed him. He healed me of the fever too, bless His good name! I am glad I ever found this way and learned to trust Jesus for the healing of my body as well as for the saving of my soul. The Lord raised my mother up when it looked like she was dead and I praise God for it. All that read this, please pray for me. Your sister in Christ—Jewell Farrell.

LIVING FOR GOD

BROWNFIELD, Tex. (Dec. 29, 1929)

Just a few lines of praise this afternoon to my blessed Savior. About three months ago He showed me the light on this way of holiness, and I love Him supremely above everything else. O I am so thankful that I ever received the light. The Lord saved, sanctified and gave me the precious Holy Ghost and a strong determination to go thru with Him at any cost. O I am proud of the dear old Church of God and glad because I am a member of Her. I am thankful also that I can look to Jesus for healing now. My two little girls have been sick and the Lord has healed them. I want to live this life in a way that will be pleasing to the Lord. Pray for me that I may be just what God would have me be.—Mrs. Henry Buchanan, South Star R.

ings, abide in the will and Word of God, and "LET" this mind be in you, and let Him have His way.

"Just now your doubtings give o'er, Just now reject Him no more; Just now throw open the door LET, Jesus come into your heart.

Divine Healing

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Jesus, while on the earth, not only preached the Gospel, but healed the sick also. "And Jesus went about all Galilee, teaching in their synagogues, and preaching the gospel of the kingdom, and healing all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases among the people." Matt. 4:23.

He also gave His apostles power to heal the sick. "And when he had called unto him his twelve disciples, he gave them power against unclean spirits, to cast them out, and to heal all manner of sickness and all manner of diseases." Matt. 10:1. "And they cast out many devils, and anointed with oil many that were sick, and healed them." Mark 6:13. And not only so, but healing is to follow all believers. "And these signs shall follow them that believe; * * * they shall lay hands on the sick, and they shall recover." Mark 16:17, 18.

There are many things to consider about divine healing. While He has said, the prayer of faith shall save the sick, and these signs shall follow believers, there is no place that God has promised to heal our sick at the very moment we ask Him. Yet, He does heal many times at the very time we ask Him, and while we are yet on our knees the sick come out of the bed, rejoicing and praising God that He has healed their bodies. Now let us notice, James tells us that the prayer of faith shall save the sick, then if the sick are not healed just at the moment we pray, is that a sign that the prayer of faith was not prayed? No, but it does show that God is trying our faith. Hear James, "Knowing this, that the trying of your faith worketh patience." James 1:3. Yes, we need patience when we pray, and if we have it, we will not give up in despair after the first prayer, but we will show that we do have patience and faith, by holding on and praying again and again, until the work is done. Peter tells the value of the trial of faith: "That the trial of your faith, being much more precious than of gold that perisheth." 1 Peter 1:7. You may pray the prayer of faith the first time you pray, but it seems to please God sometimes to try our faith. If the work had been done when the first prayer was prayed, there would have been no room for that faith to have been tried. Would we say that Elias had no faith because he prayed seven times for rain, in the days of Ahab, the king, before the rain came? No, but it rather proves that he did have faith in that he held on in prayer, still believing the rain was coming, although he saw no sign of rain after he had prayed the first time. We believe that he had just as much faith the first time he prayed as he did the last time, and the first prayer was as much the prayer of faith as the last one, yet it pleased the Lord to try his faith. I don't think it would be changing the Word of God to say that the prayer of the faithful shall save the sick, instead of the prayer of faith, and we prove that we are faithful by holding on to God thru suffering, until the work is done. There would not be a Christian in all the world who would not fully trust God for the healing of their body if God would answer and heal their sick at the very moment they asked Him, for as soon as they all saw how easy the work was done, and that they had to ask just one time and all pain would be gone and the sick healed, how long would it take for all professors to throw out their medicine and fully trust God to heal them? But, many because God doesn't answer at the very moment they ask Him and heal their sick, will faint and give up and resort to medical aid. The truth is, they had no faith to begin with, and it proved so when they were tried. How do we know how much faith we have and how good our faith is until it is tried? When God was trying Job, Job proved to the devil and to all human beings who have lived since that time, that he had faith in God, and said, "When he has tried me I shall come forth as gold." Yes, Job seemed to understand he was just being tried, but if he died in the test, he seemed determined to still trust the Lord, for he said, "Though he slay me, yet will I trust Him." Then, if we want a gold experience, let us not flinch when we are tried. David said, It is better to trust in the Lord than to put confidence in men. Psa. 118:8.

Notice, we are not advised in this to have any confidence in men. Doctors may be able in many ways to help and to aid nature, yet he tells us that it is better to trust in the Lord, then who would not want the better way? It reminds me of what my brother, T. A. Richard, said to a Methodist preacher who was a great slave to tobacco, yet he and my brother were very good friends. One night this Methodist preacher went to a Nazarene meeting and it seemed that the Nazarene preacher knew just how much this Methodist preacher loved his tobacco, so in his message that night, he tried to skin all who used tobacco, and hurt the Methodist preacher's feelings. When the Methodist preacher met my brother again, of course he was telling him about it, and said, "Brother Richard, if I had come to your church, you would not have treated me that way." My brother's answer was, "No, Brother L. I always tell people to just use all the tobacco they want until they find something better, for I once used it, but have

ORPHANAGE REPORT

CASH

Feb. 15th to 28th

S. S. Rocky Mount, N. C. \$1.50; S. S. Delbarton, W. Va. \$1.50; Church, Thorn, Miss. \$0.55; S. S. Boynton, Pa. \$1.30; S. S. Baldwin Park, Calif. \$2.73; S. S. Dividing Ridge, Tenn. \$6.00; Church, Belmont, N. C. \$3.00; S. S. Weatherford, Tex. \$2.30; S. S. LaFayette, Ga. \$1.18; S. S. Akron, O. \$4.05; T. E. Bobo, \$5.00; Church, Clarks Chapel, Tex. \$0.45; S. S. Blue Diamond, Ky. \$10.00; J. F. Raulston, Hixson, Tenn. \$20.00; Church, Statesville, N. C. \$1.33; S. S. Marion, Va. \$1.50; S. S. Bridgeport, Ill. \$2.00; S. S. Reading, Pa. \$3.13; S. S. Allbright's Chapel, Tex. \$2.50; S. S. Mitchell Hill, Ky. \$13.35; S. S. Lenoir City, Tenn. \$2.27; S. S. Welston, Ohio, \$3.62; Church, Swiley's Tabernacle, Ga. (Farm) \$2.25; S. S. Grand Ledge, Mich. \$1.67; S. S. Class No. 7, Eldorado, Ill. \$1.10; Geo. Wilbus, Sumner, Ill. \$3.16; S. S. Henderson Grove, Linda, Ky. \$1.00; B. A. Wise, Burbank, Fla. \$1.00; Bessie Snow, Statesville, N. C. \$5.00; S. S. Electra, Tex. \$3.19; W. B. Buckalew, Lindale, Tex. (Farm) \$10.00; W. B. Buckalew, Lindale, Tex. \$5.00; S. S. McVeigh, Ky. \$5.75; Jack Polk, Amarillo, Tex. \$2.00; S. S. Class No. 6, Columbia, S. C. \$6.15; S. S. Columbia, S. C. \$1.25; S. S. Stroud, Okla. \$0.72; Mary Weeks, Bogue, N.C. \$1.00; S. S. Fitzgerald, Ga. (Farm) \$3.60.

MISCELLANEOUS OFFERINGS

Feb. 1st to Mar. 1st

Mary L. Tidwell, Richey, Miss. 5 small boxes; Mrs. H. W. Carter, Logan, W. Va. 3 balls darning thread, 1 pr. shoes, 3 small boys' coats, 8 ties, 1 blouse, 3 slips, 3 girls vests, 3 dust caps, 2 prs. hose, 4 prs. pajamas, 4 small dresses, 2 prs. bloomers, 1 rubber cap; Mrs. Carrie Kalb, Ryder, N. Dak. 3 prs. pants, 2 waists, 2 caps, 1 blouse, 1 pr. shoes, 2 girls' coats, 2 sweaters, 2 prs. bloomers, 1 pr. pajamas, 2 princess slips, 1 petticoat 2 prs. hose, 1 pr. socks, 1 pr. hose, 1 apron, 12 dresses; Mrs. H. M. Douglas, Olustee, Fla. 12 prs. boys' socks; Brother and Sister R. E. Drymon, 5 dresses, 1 princess slip; Nettie Wood, Electra, Tex. 1 pr. boys' shoes; Church of God, Cambridge, Md. Solicited by Mrs. J. Edward Cooke, 6 handkerchiefs, 5 wash cloths, 5 towels, 2 small aprons, 2 prs. hose, 9 1-2 yds. gingham; One nice quilt, name unknown; Brother House, E. Chattanooga, Tenn. 1 pr. shoes; Southern Music Plate Company, Atlanta, Ga. 24 song books for boys' home.

In Columbia, S. C.

In Columbia, South Carolina, Way over on Rose Hill, We have a Church of God That is trying to do the Father's will.

We have a good pastor, Whose name is Brother Clyde Dodd, He preaches the Old Time Gospel Standing four-square for the Church of God.

We have a good little Sunday School It is a real success; You might have a larger one, But we believe ours is as good as the rest.

We have some good singers, Who can sing loud and loud; We have Brother Dodd and his two daughters, Brother David and Sister Pearl Goud.

We can all sing a little, Though we don't know music so well, But if we keep on practicing, What will happen, "We can't tell."

The Spirit of unity is prevailing With other churches of the town; We have some good meetings together, And we feel we're on holy ground.

We're looking for a revival, It has already started in our hearts, And we believe it'll sweep the city If we all do our part.

Yes, the Church at Columbia is moving up It is getting along fine. When you pray, please remember us— That we will ever let our lights shine.

Humbly yours, Lonnie H. Shull.— (This was composed while between the plow handles, while plowing on the farm. Think as you work.)

found something better now." We have all once trusted the doctors and medicine, and didn't know that Christ suffered for the healing of our bodies just the same as He did for the salvation of our souls, but since we have found this to be true and are told that this is a better way, or that it is better to trust the Lord, then of course we turn to this better way. Go on and use your doctors and medicine until you find something better as we have, then you will give it all up for the better way.

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Continue In The Things Thou Hast Learned

There are some people who seem to think that we holiness people are fools when they hear us talk or testify to divine healing, or when we claim to live a life free from sin here in this present world. They will say we are weak minded or gone into fanaticism. I for one am going to deny the charge and prove by the Word of God that it is a mistaken idea. There are only two reasons for people persecuting the way of holiness. Paul said he did it ignorantly, and for that same reason people are still fighting the way of holiness to-day. "The way of truth they have not known." John 15:20. Remember the Word that I said unto you, The servant is not greater than his lord. If they have persecuted me they will also persecute you. If they have kept my sayings, they will keep yours also. But all these things they do unto you for my name's sake, because they know not him that sent me. John 8:43, 44. Why do ye not understand my speech? even because ye cannot hear my word. Ye are of your father, the devil, and the lust of your father ye will do. He was a murderer from the beginning, and abode not in the truth because there was no truth in him. When he speaketh a lie, he speaketh of his own for he is a liar and the father of it.

We need not expect anything else but for the devil and his children to bring up a slanderous report against the children of God. Whosoever will live godly in Christ shall bear persecutions. I thank my God for giving me grace enough to overcome and quench all fiery darts of Satan for we know that the wicked are like the chaff before the wind, they are like the grass that groweth up in the morning and flourisheth and in the evening is cut down and withereth away. We should never be discouraged nor feel ashamed at the buffets and sneers of the wicked, but count them as stepping stones to the low ground of sorrow to the pearly portals of the Great Beyond, where shines one glad eternal bliss, where the soul of man never dies. David said, Let me not be ashamed O Lord for I have called upon thee. Let the wicked be ashamed and let them be silent in the grave. Let the lying lips be put to silence, which speak grievous things proudly and contemptuously against the righteous. Now friends, if you have ever been guilty of persecuting God's people and His Church, here is the class you are putting your self in. 2 Pet. 2:10. Them that walk after the flesh in the lust of uncleanness and despite government, presumptuous are they, self willed they are, not afraid to speak evil of dignities, but these as natural brutes made to be taken and destroyed, speak evil of the things they understand not, and shall utterly perish in their own corruption. Now we know the class of people that call us fools, and what makes them do it, so let's not worry about that any more, but look into God's Word and see what He says about us. Solomon said the fear of God is the beginning of wisdom. We notice when Christ was born in Bethlehem it was not the foolish men who went to seek Him, but the wise of the East. That same rule applies to us to-day. It is the wisest thing a boy or girl can do when they seek Jesus and accept Him as their Saviour. Now my friends if you have been speaking evil of us we are going to pray for you, and you ought to pray that same prayer that King Solomon prayed when he was a small boy. He prayed and asked God to give him wisdom. Here is His answer, Behold I have done according to thy words. Lo I have given thee a wise and understanding heart. James said, if any lack wisdom, let him ask of God. A wise man will hear and will increase learning; and a man of understanding shall attain to wise counsels. Prov. 1:5. For all this I consider in my heart even to declare all this that the righteous and the wise and their works are in the hands of God. Eccl. 9:1. He that winneth souls is wise, Prov. 11:30, and they that be wise shall shine as the brightness of the firmament, and they that turn many to righteousness as the stars forever and ever. Christ told His disciples when He sent them out to preach to be wise as serpents. Sometimes when people see someone is hungry to know God's Word, and he begins to read and search out the Scriptures for himself they will tell him that reading the Bible so much is going to run him crazy, but that does not correspond with what Paul told Timothy. 2 Tim. 3:15. Continue in the things thou hast learned and hast been assured of, knowing of whom thou hast learned them, and that from a child thou hast known the Holy Scriptures, which are able to make thee wise unto salvation. We have a lesson at Matt. 25:1 of ten virgins, five were wise and five were foolish. The wise took their lamps and took oil in their vessels with their lamps, the foolish took their lamps but took no oil. They all tarried till midnight, the cry was given, Behold the bridegroom cometh. The foolish said unto the wise, Give us of your oil for our lamps are gone out, but the wise virgins had their

Now Ready To Join The Church of God

ALBERTON, P. E. I. — We are told in the Holy Word that whatsoever we do in word or in deed do all to the glory of God, giving thanks unto the Father in Jesus' name. I wish to write a few lines to let you know how I became interested in the Church of God. I was converted twenty years ago, but had never heard about the Church of God. I had sought sanctification and did really enjoy the blessing, but was never instructed to seek for the Holy Ghost after being made clean, so I had an up and down experience until God laid it on some workers of the Church of God to come to P. E. I. Canada. Then the devil would not let me believe it until after a long prayerful struggle, that the Holy Ghost was for sanctified hearts. I had been taught by our Nazarene preachers that we got all when we were sanctified, so it did truly take God's Holy Spirit to convince me, although I knew my experience was not satisfactory even to my own self, and I always felt a lack, but God who is faithful to all His promises, came to my deliverance. I sought the Holy Ghost for over ten days, with fasting and prayer, and one night while in my bed, seeking the Holy Ghost came in and testified with an unknown tongue. As Paul said about his experience, "I knew a man in Christ above fourteen years ago, (whether in the body I cannot tell; or whether out of the body I cannot tell: God knoweth;) such an one caught up to the third heaven. And I knew such a man, (whether in the body, or out of the body, I cannot tell: God knoweth;) how that he was caught up into words, which it is not lawful for man to utter," so I heard words I never had uttered before, when the third blessing came. Oh, glory to God, to-day the precious Holy Ghost abides and I mean to be true to Jesus till He comes or calls me home to heaven. I am now ready to become a member of the Church of God as I have withdrawn from the Nazarene church of which I was a member ever since my husband brought the first Nazarene preacher to P. E. I., over sixteen years ago.

We have brother and Sister Dorsett here for the Winter and have truly seen the Spirit of Jesus manifested in our midst. Pray much for this hard place. So many here claim that the Holy Ghost came in at sanctification and they are not even cleansed from all uncleanness, to say nothing of them possessing the Holy Ghost. Envy, strife and all the deeds of the flesh are shown in their lives. Your humble sister in Christ, Mrs. Nelson Oliver.

He Will Do The Work If We Have Faith

NISHU, N. DAK. (Jan. 14, 1929) — Our little boy took sick with flu, and I fasted and prayed and took one of the Evangelists and laid on the boy's back in Jesus' name. I know the blessed Lord will do the work if we have faith. It was an old Evangel but that did not bother me, because I know the saints testified thru it too. I do not want to be without the Evangel, it has been so much help to our home. The little boy was healed and I give God the praise for it, and the child is now running around again. Please pray for me and my family. I want to keep in the way and get closer to the Lord. Your brother in Christ—Mr. Walter P. Chief.

New Church Progressing at Arcadia, S. C.

God is blessing us wonderfully here. We are not many in number, but the Lord meets with us. Our church clerk, Brother Shull, has just received the baptism of the Spirit and others are seeking the Lord for different blessings and we are looking forward to a real revival soon. Brother Raney has promised to come and do the preaching for a meeting soon, so when you read this, please breathe a prayer for the success of God's work at this place. — W. Frank Smith, pastor.

lamps trimmed and burning, and they went in to the marriage. So it will be with the wise virgins of this day, the holiness folks (the Holy Ghost filled people with the Bible evidence of speaking in other tongues, as the Spirit gives the utterance).

Now let's not call God's people fools any more, but let's come to the knowledge of the truth, which is able to make us wise unto salvation, and ask God to give us wisdom, and get oil in our vessels and be one of the wise virgins and come into the Church of God, which is the gateway to heaven. Gen. 28:17. This is none other but the house of God, the gateway of heaven I want to keep my light brightly burning and stay in the gateway of heaven until Jesus comes after His Bride. R. T. Pannell.

OBITUARIES

WILLIAMS

On the morning of Dec. 23d the death angel visited the home of Bro. and Sister Elery Williams and bore away the soul of their darling son, Earl. On Dec. 2d he was seriously burned by an oil explosion which caused his death. He was a loving child and was dearly loved by all who knew him. Death came as a sudden shock to his many friends and loved ones. He prayed and asked Jesus to save his soul and heal him. Just as his little soul was passing out he looked up, smiled and said, "Oh mother, look at the pretty babies," and fell asleep in Jesus. He was thirteen years, five months and eight days of age. He will be missed by all especially his precious mother and father. He leaves a father, mother, two brothers, one sister, a grandmother and grandfather and a host of loved ones and friends.

His little form is stilled forever, nevertheless will we hear his voice in the home, but when Jesus shall come to gather up His jewels, if we are faithful, we are expecting to meet little Earl again and forever dwell together and enjoy the presence of Jesus. His aunts, Vina Emrick, and Beulah Huff, Middletown, Ohio.

HUTCHINS

Mrs. Nancy Hutchins, age sixty-seven, wife of Gules Hutchins of 433 Grandcross St., Ararat, N. C., passed away at 10:45 Jan. 20, 1929 at the home, after an illness of four weeks. Mrs. Hutchins was injured about a month ago when she fell in her home and last week she suffered a stroke or paralysis. She was born in Yadkin county in July 1861 and later she moved to West Virginia. She came to this city from Charleston, W. Va. eight years ago with her family. She was a member of the Church of God at Winston Salem. She leaves a husband, three daughters, and one brother. The funeral service was held at her home Saturday night by her pastor, O. B. Griffith of the Church of God at Winston Salem, and Brother Humphreys, and her body was laid away at the cemetery at Foster Falls, Va. — Her pastor, O. B. Griffith.

McCOUGHLIN

Dear saints as my mother has gone on to glory, I want to write a few lines to her brothers and her sisters. She was sick in bed about six weeks, with flu. She was seventy-seven years of age. She lived a Christian life in her home many years and had the Holy Ghost for about eighteen years. She had many trials and temptations but had overcome all. She would tell me she was ready to go and would tell me what to do. She was true to the Lord and just three days before she died she gave me her Bible to put away. She was loyal to the Church of God and loved the saints. On Sunday before she died Monday night, Bro. Carl Padgett and wife, and Bro. and Sister Horn came and prayed for her. It was wonderful how God blessed her, she didn't worry any more but seemed to be perfectly happy. Brother Byrd preached her funeral in the Pentecostal church at Kissimmee, Fla.

We are satisfied that she is with Jesus. She leaves nine children, a husband and many grandchildren. Only two daughters out of the nine, are saved. She asked God to make a preacher out of one and he did. That one is the writer. I have hopes of meeting mother again. — Florida McCoughlin.

TAYLOR

On Jan. 18, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mr. and Mrs. Paul C. Taylor and claimed for its victim little Paul C. Jr. He was one year and twenty-three days of age. He was sick sixteen days but bore his suffering with patience. We know all was done for him that loving friends could do, but God saw best to take him. We know that the Lord doeth all things well. Little Jr. was a bud on earth to bloom in Heaven. He was loved by all who knew him. The funeral was conducted at the home and his little body laid to rest in the Bethel Cemetery. He leaves to mourn his death, a father, mother and many friends. Weep not father and mother, for little Jr., for we know he is at rest and if we live true to Jesus, we will meet him on that golden shore where parting comes no more. One who loved him, Mrs. W. Miller.

MILLER

On Jan. 9th the death angel visited our home and called our loving mother, Mrs. M. M. Miller, home to Jesus, age sixty-three years, eight months and six days. She leaves to mourn her departure, a husband twelve children, thirty grandchildren and a host of other relatives and friends. She is not dead but is sleeping till Jesus comes. She was sick about six years with a dreadful disease, but now she is sleeping for a short time with Jesus. She was a member of the Church of God for about eight years. Her baby, Charlie Miller, Scales, N. C.

MOODY

On Jan. 19, 1929 the death angel visited the home of Mrs. Sarah Poppe and claimed for its victim Bro. Jeff Moody. Brother Moody was a faithful worker in the Church of God as long as his health permitted him to go. He always had a bright testimony for the Saviour. He will be missed by many friends and loved ones and will surely be missed in the Church of God here at Odum. Funeral services were conducted by Brother J. W. Murray of Jesup, Ga., and his body laid to rest at Piney Grove Cemetery.

Jesus knows about our suffering And He knows just what is best; He knows just when to take us To that land of perfect rest.

—A friend, Mrs. Gladys Roberson, Odum, Ga.

BOWEN

On Wednesday evening, Jan. 23, 1929 at 6:30 the death angel came into our home and carried away our darling little baby, Hubert Calvin, whom we loved so dearly. He was born Dec. 14, 1928, being one month and nine days of age. He was sick only a short time with pneumonia and suffered so much but God does all things well, so He took him home where suffering will be no more. We grieve not as those who have no hope for we know that dear little Hubert is asleep in the arms of Jesus this morning. He was only a tiny bud on earth to bloom in heaven.

O how sad it makes us feel, to think we'll never see him again while on this earth, but if we live for Jesus, we shall clasp and love him as before, when we reach the other shore. He leaves a mother, rather, one brother, and one grandfather, two grandmothers and three great grandmothers, also a host of aunts, uncles and cousins to mourn his death. His little body was laid to rest in the cemetery at Midnight, Miss.

Precious darling, You have left us, Your sweet little voice is so still; Oh how we miss your little presence, But we know it is God's will.

Our darling, how we miss your little smiles, Since you've gone to the other shore But we are parted just for a while, Then with Jesus we'll meet to part no more.

One who loved him dearly, his mother, Mrs. Louise Bowen, Louise, Miss.

HARVEY

On Jan. 16, 1929 at 10:55 the death angel came to the home of James and Rosa Harvey and took away their darling baby, Arnold, age eight months and six days. He was a sweet little boy and was loved by all who knew him. He had a sweet smiling face that every one loved, but his place is vacant in the home. All was done for him that loving hands could do, but God saw best to take him to rest. This is the sixth little one that has been taken from this home. He leaves to mourn his death, a father, mother, two grandfathers, two grandmothers, two sisters, three brothers and a host of other relatives and friends. The funeral was conducted by Bro. Dave Harvey and his body laid to rest in the Red Oak Grove Cemetery. We hope to see him again some sweet day.

Dear mother, don't be discouraged, but stand true to God and He will help you thru. You have six little ones gone on and they are looking for you. Dear papa, I know you are sad and lonesome without little Arnold, he can never come to you, but you can go to him. Dear brothers and sisters, I know you are sad, but be good and live for Jesus and meet little Arnold some sweet day. — His grandmother, Dollie Shubird, Lewis Chapel, Tenn.

We Know Not The Hour Of His Coming

PULASKI, Va. (Jan. 8 1929) — To-day still finds me, praising my Saviour for the beautiful light of heaven that shines on my path. Sometimes it seems very hard to press on as we should; the enemy puts so many things before us, but if we look to God alone, He will keep us safe and lead us on. And if we are faithful and true until the Master calls, we will gain the portals of the Golden City, there to be forever with Jesus, where there will be no more tears and heartaches, but all will be love and happiness and no sorrow will ever come. O how I want to do something that will cause someone to turn from the ways of darkness into the shining light. If only a kind word, it means much. Kind words never die. I want to cling more closely to Jesus and be ready at all times for in such an hour as we think not, the Son of Man cometh. — Leatha Carper.

The Wise Virgins From Young People's Meeting, Atlanta, Ga.

Ruth Holt. "But the wise took oil in their vessels with their lamps." We have in this parable of the wise virgins, a beautiful illustration of what God has made Christ to the believer, as set forth in 1 Cor. 30, namely, righteousness, sanctification and redemption.

1. WISDOM. Five of them were wise; Christ our wisdom, by which we know God. Wisdom in God's Word is—

(a.) Applied to all who are converted and born again. "The law of the Lord is perfect, converting the soul: the testimony of the Lord is sure, making wise the simple." Ps. 19:7.

(b.) To all that have made God our Father glad: Prov. 10:1.

(c.) To all studying God's Word: "Give instruction to a wise man, and he will be yet wiser: teach a just man, and he will yet increase in learning." Prov. 9:9. "Then shall we know the Lord: his going forth is prepared as the morning; and he shall come unto us as the rain, as the latter and former rain unto the earth." Hosea 6:3.

(d.) To those who are willing to be told their faults: "Reprove not a scorner, lest he hate thee: rebuke a wise man, and he will love thee." Prov. 9:8.

(e.) To all who are winning souls for Christ. "The fault of the righteous is a tree of life; and he that winneth souls is wise." Prov. 11:30.

(f.) To those who will inherit glory: "The wise shall inherit glory." Prov. 3:35.

In whom are hid all the treasures of wisdom and knowledge. Col. 2:3. "If any man lack wisdom, let him ask of God, that giveth to all men liberally, and upbraideth not; and it shall be given him." Jas. 1:5.

2. RIGHTEOUSNESS. The virgin's dress. Christ our righteousness.

(a.) Set forth in type, in God clothing Adam and Eve. "Unto Adam also and to his wife did the Lord God make coats of skins, and clothed them." Gen. 3:21. A divinely provided garment that the first sinners might be made fit for God's presence.

(b.) In the raiment given to Rebekah. "And the servant brought forth jewels of silver, and jewels of gold, and raiment and gave them to Rebekah." Gen. 24:53.

(c.) "For he hath clothed me with the garments of salvation, he hath covered me with the robe of righteousness." Isa. 61:10.

(d.) The Lord our righteousness. Jer. 23:6.

(e.) The wedding garment Christ taught, all must have on at the marriage.

(f.) "Let us be glad and rejoice, and give honor to him: for the marriage of the Lamb is come, and his wife made herself ready. And to her was granted that she should be arrayed in fine linen, clean and white: for the fine linen is the righteousness of the saints." Rev. 19:7-8. Even today we can dress as wise virgins so the world may know us.

3. SANCTIFICATION. The wise had oil in their vessels—Christ our sanctification.

God commands believers to shine, but the light must get into the vessel first before it can shine out.

(a.) It makes us sons of God. "Which were born, not of blood, nor of the will of the flesh, nor of the will of man, but of God." John 1:13.

(b.) This oil is holy oil that we might be holy. "But as he which hath called you is holy, so be ye holy in all manner of conversation. Because it is written, Be ye holy; for I am holy." 1 Pet. 1:15-16.

(c.) I shall be anointed with fresh oil. Ps. 92:10.

(d.) The oil makes us glad, it maketh our faces to shine, also refresheth the soul.

(e.) We are the Lord's vessels to be used for Him. Oil is a symbol of the Holy Spirit. "If any man have not the spirit of Christ, he is none of his." Rom. 8:9.

4. REDEMPTION. "And they that were ready went in with Him to the marriage and the door was shut." Christ our Redemption. What the others lost, the wise gained.

They gained. (a.) The marriage supper of the Lamb. Rev. 19:9.

(b.) The inheritance. "Wherefore thou art no more a servant, but a son, and if a son, then an heir of God through Christ." Gal. 4:7.

(c.) "In thy presence is fulness of joy, at thy right hand there are pleasures to evermore." Ps. 16:11.

(d.) A seat on the throne. "To him that overcometh will I grant to sit with me in my throne, even as I also overcame." Rev. 3:21. If we suffer, we shall also reign with Him. 2 Tim. 2:12.

(e.) Judging with Christ on the throne. "Do ye not know that the saints shall judge the world? and if the world shall be judged by you, are ye unworthy to judge the smallest matters? Know ye not that we shall judge angels?" 1 Cor. 6:2-3. "Eye hath not seen, nor ear heard, neither have entered into the heart of man, the things which God hath prepared for them that love him." 1 Cor. 2:9.

Standing On His Promises

WILLIAMSBURG, Ky. (Jan. 12, 1929) — Just a line today to let you hear from me. I sent you a handkerchief some few days ago. Before the handkerchief returned, the Lord healed me of a high fever. Just a few days before I received the handkerchief I was taken with an awful cold and cough, but bless God, I'm healed to-day. When I received the handkerchief, I laid it on my throat in Jesus' name and was healed. It has been that I could hardly talk in a conversation, pray or preach, but praise God, I can now, and I'm ready to go out on the battle field again. I truly love my Master and want to serve Him every day. I thank God for His Son, who suffered so much for us, also 2 Pet. 2:24, says, By His stripes we are healed. Praise God for His wonderful healing power. By the Lord's help I mean to trust Him. If I cannot have enough faith to live for Him (I mean, to trust Him for healing) I surely want to be able to die and he will increase in learning. "Modern Miracles." I purchased it at the Assembly. I have read it thru and am letting others read it. It was food to my soul. Pray much for me that God will use me in the way that He can get the most honor and glory to Himself. Yours in His service. — Mable Hatcher.

Standing True In The Test

SPARTA, Tenn. — I want to sound a note of praise to my blessed Saviour tonight. He means much to me! I want to praise Him for His power to heal, because He heals in our home. I am saved, sanctified and baptized with the precious Holy Ghost. Friends, it means something to trust in God. My baby has been sick. I promised the Lord if He would heal him I would testify of it. My husband was sick some time back and the Lord healed him. He is also saved, sanctified and has the baptism of the Holy Ghost. It surely pays to trust in God. I want all the saints to pray for me and my husband that we will ever stay humble and true and be a shining light for Jesus. — Nancy Brown.

STILL HAVE OLD TIME RELIGION

Tonight I feel impressed to write to the Evangel. Many times I think of the good times we used to have in the old schoolroom, and my heart feels heavy when I think of the many blessings we're missing by not being there, but I thank and praise God that He is able to bless us wherever we may be. Even if the wind is howling outside and the snow is blowing, we can feel the sweet peace of God and joy in our souls, bless His dear name! I'm really glad tonight for old time salvation, like the old apostles had. It makes me feel good when I meditate upon the goodness of the Lord, and to think that I'm a child of the King, glory to God! Surely we have much for which to thank the Lord.

When I look about and see how precious souls are going on in sin, their hearts so hardened till it seems like the Word of God has no effect on them, I feel like it is time we were awakened from our slumber and get busy. I fully believe the return of our Lord is fast approaching, and there is much work to be done.

I thank the Lord that He has given us a church in Ryder and a nice little Sunday School, and we need the prayers of the saints that we may be at our best for Him. It seems like the enemy is trying to hinder in nearly every way he can, but I'm glad we have a prayer-meeting and answering God, so we can just depend on Him, bless His dear name! He's blessing my soul now! I feel determined to press on with the Lord, I want to be on fire for God, that I might be able to meet Him in the clouds when He comes or calls. Pray for us that we may be of service to our soon coming King. One who wants to be faithful—Edri (Bowen) Brandt, Ryder, N. Dak.

SUFFERED TWENTY YEARS

ARCADIA, S. C. — I have been suffering with stomach trouble and high blood pressure for about twenty years and have tried different doctors but didn't get well. The saints of the Church of God prayed for me and anointed me with oil and I was almost completely healed. I thank God for His healing power, for healing me after I had been given up by the best doctors. — W. G. Elliott.

Truly we see here, Christ the wisdom, by which we come to know God as the righteousness, in which we can stand before God. The sanctification which prepares us for God, and the redemption which brings us home to God. "And five were wise, and five were foolish" may all be among the wise when the Bridegroom comes to take us into the marriage supper of the Lamb. "Watch therefore, for ye know neither the day nor the hour wherein the Son of man cometh." Matt. 25:13.